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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 722

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Mr. James H. Ripley to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-101, provides for the creation of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-103, further provides for a seven-member Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation to be appointed by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2003, Governor Phil Bredesen appointed Mr. James H. Ripley of Sevierville, Tennessee to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation. This appointment was confirmed by the 103rd General Assembly by Senate Joint Resolution No. 635; Mr. Ripley served a one (1) year term that expired on June 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2004, Governor Bredesen re-appointed Mr. Ripley to a five (5) year term to begin on July 1, 2004, and to expire on June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, James H. Ripley, a native of Radford, Virginia, has resided in East Tennessee for over 34 years and is a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville with

a bachelor's degree in English and obtained his law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ripley is currently a partner and general practice attorney with Sharp and Ripley PLLC, a Sevierville law firm; from 1983 to 1987 he was an associate with Hailey, Waters, Sykes and Sharp, also in Sevierville; and

WHEREAS, Jim Ripley is a member of the Tennessee Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Board of Trial Advocates, the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association and the American Trial Lawyers Association; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-103(f), provides that each member appointed by the Governor to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation Board of Directors shall be confirmed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly; now, there,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Mr. James H. Ripley to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation for a five (5) year term to expire on June 30, 2009.